

BEFORE  
THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF  
SOUTH CAROLINA  
DOCKET NO. 2014-247-E - ORDER NO. 2014-633

JULY 25, 2014

IN RE: South Carolina Electric & Gas Company –	)	ORDER GRANTING
Request for “Like Facility” Determinations	)	“LIKE FACILITY”
Pursuant to S.C. Code Ann. § 58-33-110(1) -	)	DETERMINATIONS
(Williams-Mt. Pleasant)	)	

Pursuant to S.C. Code Ann. § 58-33-110(1), this matter comes before the Public Service Commission of South Carolina (“Commission”) on the request of South Carolina Electric & Gas Company (“SCE&G” or the “Company”) to reconfigure and replace an 8.2 mile segment of its existing Williams-Mt. Pleasant 230 kV Line No. 1 and to relocate and replace approximately 800 feet of the Williams-Mt. Pleasant 230 kV transmission Lines No. 1 and No. 2 with “Like Facilities.” As described in the record, the purpose of this request is to meet the growing electricity needs in the Company’s Hamlin and Isle of Palms load centers and to remain in compliance with North American Electric Reliability Corporation (“NERC”) Transmission Planning Standards. The Office of Regulatory Staff has reviewed this matter without objection.

Specifically, SCE&G seeks to reconfigure and replace the existing Williams-Mt. Pleasant 230 kV Line No. 1, in its current right of way corridor, from H-frame structures to single pole double circuit structures to accommodate both the replacement of the existing 230 kV line and a future 115 kV line. Additionally, the Williams-Mt. Pleasant

230 kV Lines No. 1 and No. 2 and a future 115 kV line will be reterminated at the new 230/115 kV Cainhoy Substation. SCE&G projects that the in-service date for the replacement lines and facilities is December 2015, at which time the lines will be renamed as the Williams-Cainhoy 230 kV Line (formerly Williams-Mt. Pleasant 230 kV Line No. 2), the Williams-Cainhoy 115 kV Line No. 1 (the new 115 kV line), and Williams-Cainhoy 115 kV Line No. 2 (formerly Williams-Mt. Pleasant 230 kV Line No. 1). According to SCE&G, the proposed transmission lines and facilities will not have a significant environmental impact or substantially change the location of the facilities.

After review, under the authority of S.C. Code Ann. § 58-33-110(1), we find and determine that the replacement and relocated lines, as discussed above, constitute “the replacement of an existing facility with a like facility” and therefore does not constitute “construction of a major utility facility” for which certification would be required under the Utility Facility Siting Act and Environmental Protection Act.

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This Order shall remain in full force and effect until further order of the Commission.

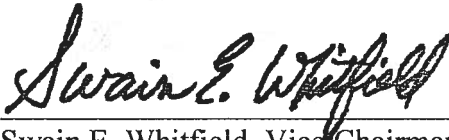
BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION:



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Nikiya Hall, Chairman

ATTEST:



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Swain E. Whitfield, Vice Chairman  
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